II. PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING

i. Receipt of nominations for election to the Maharaja's Technological Institute.
ii. For Election to the Maharaja's College Advisory Committee.

Mr. President: I have to announce that nominations on behalf of the Hon'ble Members have been received for the election of a Member to the Maharaja's College Technological Institute Advisory Board:

Mr. P. K. Paul
Mr. P. Kumaran Exhuthassan
Mr. K. S. Panicker

For the election of a Member to the Maharaja's College Advisory Committee, nominations from the following Hon'ble Members have been received:

Mr. K. K. Kannan
Mr. P. A. Mohamed Ashroff
Mr. R. S. Thevanna Gounder

The elections will be conducted at 5 O'clock this afternoon.

III. BILLS (OFFICIAL,) (cont.)

(i) The Cochin Panchayats Act (Amendment) Bill

Rao Bahadur T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Public Health):* I move that the Cochin Panchayats Act (Amendment) Bill be taken into consideration and finally passed.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* I second it. But I have to bring to the notice of the President that a very slight amendment is necessary on account of the introduction of the word "laundries" yesterday. I move that the word "and" between the words "admission" and "service" may be changed into "or".

Rao Sahib P. V. Raphael *(Chief Secretary to Government):* I second it.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* The section as amended would be "The Panchayat may with the previous approval of the Director notify that no place within the limits of the Panchayat area shall be used for any of the purposes specified in the rules made in this behalf without a licence issued by the Panchayat which shall be renewed every year and except in accordance with the conditions specified in such licence, and where the licence is for keeping hotels, restaurants, eating houses, coffee houses, boarding houses, laundries or running barber saloons, the licence shall always contain and be deemed to contain a condition that admission or service therein shall not be denied or restricted to any person on the ground that he belongs to a paticular caste or creed".

Amendment put and carried

(ii) The Cochin Municipal Act (Amendment) Bill

The motion that the Bill be taken up and finally passed, was put and carried.

Rao Sahib K. Ayyappan *(Minister for Public Works):* I move that the Cochin Municipal Act (Amendment) Bill be taken up and finally passed.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* I second it. Sir, the amendment to this will also be to the same effect, that is, before the word "service" instead of the word "and", the word "or" pay be substituted.

Rao Sahib P. V. Raphael *(Chief Secretary to Government):* I second it.

Amendment put and carried

IV. BILLS (NON-OFFICIAL)

(i) The Cochin Verumpattamdar's Act (Amendment) bill

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur Tattamangalam):* Sir, I beg to move that the Verumpattamdars Act (Amendment) Bill be read in Council.

Mr. K. Balakrishna Menon *(Cheruthuruthi):* I second it.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Sir, when the prices of the agricultural products were low, the articles were selling at a low price. Now the prices have increased four or five-fold. All the gain is enjoyed by the tenant alone. That is why this Bill is introduced, for the sake of the landlords to take a share in the gain enjooyed by the tenant.

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